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LOK SABHA

The following Bill was introduced in Lok Sabha on 5th August, 2003:—

BILL NO. 54 OF 2003

A Bill further to amend the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950 to modify the list of Scheduled Tribes in the State of Assam.

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Fifty-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order (Amendment) Act, 2003. Short title.

2. In the Schedule to the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950, in Part II.—Assam,— Amendment of the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950.

(i) for the sub-part heading “I. In the autonomous districts”, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“I. In the autonomous Districts of Karbi Anglong and North Cachar Hills”;

(ii) for the sub-part heading “II. In the State of Assam excluding the autonomous districts”, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“II. In the State of Assam including the Bodoland Territorial Council Areas district and excluding the autonomous districts of Karbi Anglong and North Cachar Hills.”

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Necessary Bills to amend the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution and article 332(6) of the Constitution were introduced in Parliament with a view to implementing the Memorandum of Settlement signed by the Central Government, the Government of Assam and the Bodo Liberation Tigers, on 10-2-2003 after tripartite talks to bring about durable solution to the Bodo issues.

2. Under the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950, State of Assam includes Scheduled Tribes belonging to autonomous Districts and Scheduled Tribes of areas other than autonomous Districts. Bodos and Borokacharis have been included in the list of Scheduled Tribes of areas other than autonomous Districts. With the creation of the proposed Bodoland Territorial Council (BTC) Areas District, it is necessary to amend the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950 so that (i) the autonomous Districts are clearly indicated; and (ii) Bodos and Borokacharis are classified as Scheduled Tribes in the State of Assam including BTC Areas District but excluding autonomous Districts of Karbi Anglong and North Cachar Hills. If this is not done, the Boro and Borokacharis residing in the proposed BTC Areas District would stand disqualified from the Scheduled Tribes status.
3. The proposed amendment to the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950 would entitle the Boro and Borokacharis residing in the State of Assam including the proposed BTC Areas District, to the benefits of the Scheduled Tribes status.
4. The Bill seeks to achieve the above objects.

NEW DELHI;

L. K. ADVANI.

The 28th July, 2003.

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